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AMENDMENT

Sir:

This Reply is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed June 25, 2008. A three (3)-month extension of time petition is included herewith. Reconsideration of the present rejections and withdrawal of the present rejections are respectfully requested.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.